

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Liu et al.** § Group Art Unit: **3694**
Serial No.: **10/008,731** § Examiner: **Ann E. Loftus**
Filed: **November 7, 2001** § Attorney Docket No.: **RSW920010184US1**
§
For: **Method and Apparatus for
Identifying Cross-Selling
Opportunities Based on
Profitability Analysis**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

No fees are believed to be necessary. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0457. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is necessary, I authorize the Commissioner to charge the necessary extension fees to Deposit Account No. 09-0457.

Prior to continued examination of this application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.